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SUBJECT: MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNOR: GREEK REQUEST FOR FURTHER
SUPPLY OF FUEL

REF: STATE 223890, PARA 7.

1. FOLLOWING ARE PERTINENT SECTIONS OF AGENCY
DOCUMENT GOV/1809 RELATING TO GREEK REQUEST FOR
FURTHER SUPPLY OF FUEL FOR A RESEARCH REACTOR:
(A) SECTION ENTITLED "SUPPLY AGREEMENT" COMPRISES
PARAS 6-7. PARA 6 READS IN FULL QUOTE THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE UNITED STATES HAS INDICATED THAT IT WOULD BE
PREPARED TO CONSIDER THIS REQUEST FOR THE SUPPLY OF UP
TO A MAXIMUM OF 7000 GRAMS OF HIGHLY-ENRICHED URANIUM,
AND THAT FURTHER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES
WOULD BE NEEDED BEFORE THE TRANSFER OF THE MATERIAL COULD
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BE EXECUTED. ON THE BASIS OF THESE INDICATIONS, THE

DIRECTOR GENERAL HAS PROPOSED TO THE TWO GOVERN-

MENTS THAT THE SUPPLY OF THE FUEL MATERIAL BE COVERED BY THE MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA GOVERNING SALES OF SOURCE, BY-PRODUCT AND SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIALS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE PROVIDED FOR UNDER THAT AGREEMENT, THE PROVISION OF THE AGENCY'S ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PROJECT WOULD BE EFFECTED BY MEANS OF A SUPPLY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE, ON THE LINES OF THAT CONCLUDED IN JUNE 1974 BETWEEN THE

AGENCY AND PAKISTAN FOR A SIMILAR PURPOSE. THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WOULD PROVIDE THAT THE PARTICULAR TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE TRANSFER OF UP TO 7000 GRAMS OF ENRICHED URANIUM FROM THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING CHARGES AND DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS, WOULD BE SPECIFIED IN A SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT TO THE

MASTER AGREEMENT MENTIONED ABOVE, TO BE CONCLUDED JOINTLY BY THE AGENCY AND GREECE WITH THE UNITED STATES. THE FUEL MATERIAL WOULD BE USED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE RESEARCH REACTOR GRR-1 AT THE NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTRE "DEMOKRITOS" UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED BY THE AGENCY AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. UNQUOTE

2. PARA 7 NOTES THAT PROJECT AGREEMENT WOULD BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE AGENCY'S SAFETY STANDARDS AND THAT

PROPOSED SUPPLY AGREEMENT WOULD INCLUDE PHYSICAL PROTECTION MEASURES ARRIVED AT BY MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN GREECE AND U.S. TAKING AGENCY'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON PHYSICAL PROTECTION INTO ACCOUNT. (B) IN PARA 8((RECOMMENDED ACTION BY THE BOARD), DG RECOMMENDS BOARD: QUOTE (A) APPROVE THE SUPPLY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE OF UP TO 7000 GRAMS OF URANIUM ENRICHED TO APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT IN THE UNCLASSIFIED

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ISOTOPE U-235, WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE DESIRES TO SECURE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA FOR FABRICATION,...ETC.; (B) AUTHORIZE HIM TO CONCLUDE AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO IMPLEMENT A SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH THE THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE ON THE LINES OF THE TEXT REPRODUCED IN DOCUMENT INFCIRC/34/ADD.4, SUBJECT TO THE REQUISITE ADAPTATION AS OUTLINED IN PARAS 6-7 ABOVE".

3. RE PARA 8(A), FORMULATION OF QUANTITY AND ENRICHMENT CORRESPONDS TO STATE 215701. IF MORE FLEXIBILITY IS DESIRED, SECRETARIAT INFORMALLY ADVISES THAT, FROM THEIR STANDPOINT, THEY WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE U.S. GOV AT BOARD NOTING THAT QUESTION OF PRECISE QUANTITY AND ENRICHMENT WOULD BE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARA 6 AND THEREFORE PROPOSING AMENDMENT OF PARA 8 (A)

TO READ "UP TO 7000 GRAMS OF THE ISOTOPE URANIUM-235 CONTAINED IN URANIUM ENRICHED UP TO APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT IN THAT ISOTOPE...". IF SUCH CHANGE TO BE MADE, HOWEVER, MISSION CALLS ATTENTION TO NECESSITY OF CONSULTATION WITH GOG PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 17 BOARD MEETING TO EXPLAIN PURPOSE OF CHANGE.

4. RE PARA 8(B), MISSION NOTES THAT SUPPLY AGREEMENT TO BE CONCLUDED IS NOT RPT NOT SELF-IMPLEMENTING BUT REQUIRES CONCLUSION OF TRILATERAL SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT. ACCORDINGLY, SECRETARIAT HAS ASSURED US THAT NORMAL PROCEDURE WOULD BE FOLLOWED; I.E., SUPPLY AGREEMENT WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE CONCLUDED UNTIL SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT CONCLUDED. NEVERTHELESS, STATEMENT COULD BE MADE BY U.S. GOV AT BOARD EXPRESSING UNDERSTANDING THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL WOULD AWAIT OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARA 6 BEFORE CONCLUDING SUPPLY AGREEMENT. DIRECTOR GENERAL WOULD NOT RPT NOT TAKE ISSUE OR ACT IN WAY CONTRARY TO SUCH EXPRESSED ASSUMPTION. LABOWITZ

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